



RR REPORT

Important Updates from the DNR Remediation and Redevelopment Program

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Postponed: March 1, 2017 *Issues & Trends* Moved to April Consultants' Day Training Conferences

An overview of the process for obtaining a NR 718 exemption to manage material that is not significantly contaminated was planned to be the topic of the March *Issues & Trends* conference call. Instead of covering this topic on a conference call, NR 718 will be a featured topic during the RR Program's Consultants' Day 2017 trainings in April.

At Consultants' Day, Paul Grittner, Contaminated Material Management Specialist, and Judy Fassbender, Policy and Technical Resources Section Chief, will discuss the characterization of waste material and the options for managing waste under an NR 718 exemption. New tools being developed by the DNR to assist responsible parties and consultants to manage contaminated materials, including a template for requesting an exemption through NR 718, will be introduced.

A [schedule of future *Issues & Trends* events](#) is available in the [Training Library](#), along with recordings of previous presentations.

Register Now for Consultants' Day 2017

[Registration](#) is now open for Consultants' Day 2017, hosted by the DNR's Remediation and Redevelopment Program. Our events this year will be held in two locations: the Stevens Point Holiday Inn Convention Center on April 12 and at the Country Springs Conference Center in Pewaukee on April 20. Presentation content will be the same at each location.

This popular event sold out in 2015; space is limited at both events again this year. Early registration is available until March 19.

- Who should attend? Environmental consultants, developers and anyone else interested in technical aspects of contaminated land cleanup.
- What's on the agenda? Guests will learn the ins-and-outs of case closure, vapor intrusion, post-closure modifications and more. We also have "conversation corners" and other chances to meet with project managers and topic experts.

We are working with UW-Stevens Point to provide continuing education credits and will provide more information as it becomes available.

Questions? Please contact [Mick Skwarok](#) at 608-266-9263.

Temporary groundwater monitoring wells

Temporary wells have become increasingly common as part of site investigations and Phase II environmental site assessments. Although temporary wells can be useful tools, they have limitations in

their use. It is critical that temporary wells are properly installed to ensure the integrity of the results and that they are adequately protected to avoid becoming a conduit for contaminant migration.

Installation of temporary wells requires prior approval from the department, as described in s. NR 141.29, Wis. Adm. Code. In addition, compliance with Ch. NR 141 is required for all wells installed for the purposes of Ch. 292, Wis. Stats. This means all monitoring wells installed for site investigations and Phase II reports submitted to the department must meet the NR 141 requirements, which includes prior department approval for temporary wells.

To avoid incurring additional costs and unneeded project delays, refer to DNR guidance on the appropriateness and limitations of temporary wells, publication RR-647, “Fact Sheet of Frequently Asked Questions about Temporary Wells” at <http://dnr.wi.gov/files/PDF/pubs/rr/RR647.pdf>

Free Webinar: Meet the Funders - Parks, Community Health, and the Arts

Brownfield grants from the EPA are one of many sources of funds that can support redevelopment of contaminated sites. [This webinar](#), on February 28, will highlight a number of redevelopment resources available from the National Park Service, The Department of Health and Human Services, and the National Endowment for the Arts to leverage your brownfield dollars.

The webinar will also feature a presentation from a community that has successfully used grants, loans and other support from these agencies for its revitalization efforts.

This webinar is the fourth in EPA’s webinar series on what communities need to know to successfully leverage resources for brownfields revitalization.

National Brownfields Conference – Call for Ideas

Now is your chance to help design a fantastic conference agenda by submitting your educational programming proposals for the EPA’s 2017 National Brownfields Training Conference.

Join the next National Brownfields Training Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 5-7, 2017. In addition to regular conference programming, EPA will hold pre-conference workshops on December 4.

The EPA invites you to submit your ideas for dynamic educational sessions that encourage conversation and participation from your fellow attendees. A great Brownfields 2017 educational program will motivate brownfields stakeholders to engage, learn, and share their experiences and knowledge of community revitalization challenges and solutions.

To submit an idea, send an abstract for a Brownfields 2017 session or presentation using the online submission form on www.brownfields2017.org. The deadline to submit is March 17, 2017.

If you have questions, please contact [Patricia Overmeyer](#) at the EPA Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization, at 202-566-2774.

Prepared Workbook: Process for Risk Evaluation, Property Analysis and Reuse Decisions

The [Prepared Workbook for Brownfields and Land Revitalization](#) from the Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is a risk management framework for evaluating various actions that a local government might take to bring about a desired reuse at contaminated properties that it does not currently own.

The workbook is available now from the CDFA and is a good resource for municipal officials who are looking to clean up and redevelop contaminated property.

Upcoming ITRC Training

March 2 - [Integrated DNAPL Site Characterization](#)

March 7 - [Use and Measurement of Mass Flux and Mass Discharge](#)

March 9 - [Geophysical Classification for Munitions Response](#)

March 16 - [Integrated DNAPL Site Strategy](#)